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Report Highlights:

Burma's beans and pulses exports dropped 34 percent in August, to 73,235 metric tons, as domestic market prices improved and became stronger than export prices.

Includes PSD changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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TRADE

During the month of August, Burma exported 73,235 metric tons (mt) of beans and pulses and 7,416 mt of beans and pulses via border trade. There was a decrease of 34 percent in exports compared to the previous month. Confirmed sources said that the drop in exports was due to domestic prices being higher than export prices. In August, Toor whole (Pigeon pea) comprised 53 percent and Black Matpe 28 percent of the total beans and pulses export, with 93 percent of the total exported to India.

Regular Trade

Brunei - a total of 10 mt of beans and pulses exported: 10 mt of Black Matpe.

Belgium - a total of 111 mt of beans and pulses exported:

- 22 mt of Brown beans
- 21 mt of Kidney beans
- 68 mt of Toor whole.

Dubai - a total of 550 mt of beans and pulses exported: 550 mt of Black eye beans

Germany - a total of 22 mt of beans and pulses exported: 22 mt of small white beans.

India - a total of 67,828 mt of beans and pulses exported:

- 766 mt of Black eye beans
- 18,658 mt of Black Matpe
- 4,492 mt of Chick peas
- 668 mt of Kidney beans
- 4,736 mt of Mung beans
- 38,463 mt of Toor whole
- 45 mt of various beans.

Indonesia - a total of 24 mt of beans and pulses exported: 24 mt of Mung beans.

Italy - a total of 213 mt of beans and pulses exported: 213 mt of Small white beans.

Japan - a total of 409 mt of beans and pulses exported: 168 mt of Black Matpe, 241 metric tons of Butter bean (Lima beans).

Korea - a total of 129 mt of beans and pulses exported: 85 mt of Black Eye beans, 44 mt of Butter beans (Lima beans).

Malaysia - a total of 335 mt of beans and pulses exported: 171 mt of Black Matpe, 164 mt of Mung beans.

Pakistan - a total of 2,263 mt of beans and pulses exported: 677 mt of Black Matpe, 1,586 mt of Chick peas.

Philippines - a total of 119 mt of beans and pulses exported: 71 mt of Black eye beans, 48 mt of Mung beans.

Singapore - a total of 264 mt of beans and pulses exported: 264 mt of Black Matpe.

Spain - a total of 42 mt of beans and pulses exported: 42 metric tons of Kidney beans.

Sri Lanka a total of 135 mt of beans and pulses exported: 135 mt of Black Matpe.

United Kingdom - a total of 110 mt of beans and pulses exported: 110 mt of Mung beans.

United Arab Emirates - a total of 629 mt of beans and pulses exported:

67 mt of Black eye beans

225 mt of Black Matpe

337 mt of Mung beans.

United States - a total of 42 mt of beans and pulses exported: 42 mt of Mung beans.

Border Trade

Myanma Agricultural Produce Trading (MAPT), an agency of the Ministry of Commerce exported a total of 7,416 mt of beans and pulses via border trade*:

China - a total of 7,329.63 metric tons of beans and pulses: 7,323.63 mt of Mung beans sold through Muse, 6 mt of Soya beans sold through LoiGe.

India - a total of 85.95 metric tons of beans and pulses; 10 mt of Soya beans sold through Tamu, 76 mt of Matpe sold through Maung Taw.

* = *Due to the closure of the border between Burma and Thailand in May there was no border trade with Thailand.*

Beans and Pulses Exports (mt)	2001	2002
January	36,599	52,320
February	54,094	67,765
March	89,479	86,680
April	74,704	107,319
May	77,893	124,991
June	113,784	84,274
July	90,172	98,095
August	74,389	73,235
September	32,789	---
October	69,531	---
November	46,831	---
December	45,116	---
TOTAL	805,381	694,679
Others*	160,365	---
GRAND TOTAL	965,746	

* = export shipments not covered elsewhere

Prices

Export prices set for beans and prices by Price Appraisal Committee that met on August 23, 2002 are:

FAQ - Fair Average Quality SQ - Special Quality

Matpe (FAQ) US\$ 235

Matpe (SQ) US\$ 285

Mung beans (Pedesein) (FAQ) US\$ 275

Butter beans (Lima beans)(FAQ) US\$ 230

Toor whole (Pesingon)(FAQ) US\$ 260

Sales

In the month of August, MAPT contracted a total of 322 metric tons of beans and pulses:

56 metric tons of Matpe worth at US\$ 13,000

23 metric tons of Pedesein worth at US\$ 7,000

23 metric tons of Pedeshwewar worth at US\$ 8,000

220 metric tons of Pesingon worth at US\$ 53,000

End of Report.